

MAKING WHEAT FARMING PAY IN KLAMATH

By R. E. Bradbury

As good as wheat in the mill; is an old saying but true. Wheat has ever been a cash crop, but only during the last few years have wheat standards been adopted that base the value on quality and not quantity. Klamath has produced as fine wheat as can be grown anywhere, and can be made to produce a standard grade that will command the top price in the open market. Unfortunately this is not the case at present, owing largely in two causes. The first and worst is that we are growing too many varieties and mixtures that are not adapted to climate and other conditions found here.

The second reason is the lack of knowledge relating to the adaptability of varieties to altitude, climate and the effect of moisture on the growing grain. For the past several years, Mr. Howard, the miller and chemist at Martin Brothers' mill has conducted tests of the wheat grown here, in an endeavor to determine what varieties possess best average gluten content. I have been a grower of pure varieties for a long time, and very much interested in acquiring information that would lead to the production of a better grade of grain both as to quality and quantity.

From the knowledge gained it would seem that about three varieties grown here in commercial quantities, come nearest to meeting the required conditions. They are Early Baart, Blue Stem and Marquis. There are other varieties that show excellent promise, but are not yet grown here under field conditions. Two of them show a remarkable gluten content, the Burbank super wheat, introduced here by Capt. Applegate, and the Red Fife, locally designated as the Speckle Fife.

I have secured information from the Washington state college relating to climate and moisture that should be of value to wheat growers of this section.

Wheat grown under different climatic conditions, may differ materially in the quantity and quality of the gluten content.

Wheat varieties grown under dry land conditions have a higher percentage of gluten than the same varieties grown on irrigated land. This would seem to be due to the fact that the nitrogen compounds, including gluten are laid down in the kernel earlier in its development than some of the starch compounds. If growth is checked near maturity it will prevent the formation of starch compounds, thereby increasing the percentage of gluten.

The above indicates that taking account of climatic conditions suitable varieties for Klamath can only be determined by growth here. This is borne out by experience.

Where wheat is grown under irrigation care must be used in applying water. It should be used sparingly and before the grain forms in the head, sub irrigated land should be avoided, also naturally wet and heavy land. The cuttings of the grain before the straw is thoroughly ripe will give a better gluten content.

The exercise of care in the selection of seed relative to purity of varieties and percentage of gluten content as determined from your milling test, should be given careful attention by the grower, keep the number of varieties down to a minimum, as wheat is prone to cross fertilize in the field with deteriorating results.

Personal Mention

Devlin Towle, secretary of the W. J. Campbell Lumber company of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, arrived here last night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Ferguson are Ashland visitors here today.

W. E. Lamm of the Lamm Lumber company returned last night from the East, where he was called by the death of his father.

James Munn is a business visitor here from Denver.

Mrs. A. Atkinson is a Dorris visitor here today.

F. C. McGarls returned last night from a business trip to Macdoel.

Work of paving the Pacific highway near Slason is going ahead rapidly, said Wm. Duffy, who returned from there last night. Rock crushers have been installed at Slason.

IN THE COURT

Snook vs. Snook

A decree of divorce from Bertha G. Snook was granted in open court this morning by Judge Stone to T. L. Snook, justice of the peace at Chiloquin and employed by the McGee Lumber company.

SOCIETY

Easter Sunday was an enjoyable as well as interesting day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Thompson, on the Merrill road. The families of Wm. Cheyne, Robt. Cheyne, Alex. Cheyne and T. B. Dawson gathered to meet their cousin, Jas. A. Cheyne, from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, who is president of the Pennsylvania Sash and Door company. He is here looking after their large lumbering interests on the Pacific coast. Grandma Cheyne had not met her nephew for over 30 years, and it was naturally a very happy day for her. At 2 o'clock all enjoyed a family dinner.

Next Wednesday evening the members of Prosperity Rebekah lodge No. 104, will entertain their Brother Odd Fellows at an evening's entertainment and banquet, in commemoration of the 104th anniversary of the foundation of the order in the United States. A splendid program has been arranged for the occasion. All visiting Rebekahs and Odd Fellows are invited to be present and help celebrate the birthday of the order. The committee in charge of the affair announces that the program will start at 8 o'clock sharp, and request all to be assembled by that time in order not to interrupt.

Emanuel Baptist church program for Easter Sunday; music by Lee Parker on banjo and mandolin, Leigh Dickson on clarinet and Miss Helen Abbey at piano. The following program was given by the children and other members of the Sunday school:

Song—"Easter Greeting"..... Tillotson and Lowden School

"Lily Bell"..... Delmer Ball

"With a Joyful Song"..... Ellenor Wymant

"Easter and E"..... Vera Seeds

"Mary"..... Margaret Lockwood

Song—"The Wayside Cross"..... Mrs. J. H. Dickson

"The Wayside Cross"..... Mrs. J. H. Dickson and Mrs. Lee Parker

"A Milliner's Bill"..... Helen Almeter

"An Easter Kiss"..... Betty Dickson

"Even Little Ones"..... Margaret Ball

"The Lily's Secret"..... Vivian Tracy

"The Lovers' Greeting"..... Velma Michael

"A Happy Day"..... Jimmy Wray

"The Easter Call"..... Vera Seeds

"The Voice of Spring"..... Blanche Wray

"Divine Content"..... Archie Michael

"Let's Help"..... Helen Almeter

Special Number by Orchestra

"Tiny Little Seeds"..... Ellen Nolan

Song—"At the Doorway"..... School

Dismissal Prayer by Mr. Wymant

Friday afternoon, March 14, Mrs. Lee Parker entertained her Sunday school class of beginners at her home on Ninth street. After an afternoon of games and fun the children were served delicious refreshments by the hostess. A favor at each place at the table consisted on a basket of Easter eggs. Those present were Masters Jimmy Wray and Delmer Ball, Misses Margaret Ball, Betty Dickson, Helen Almeter, Vera Seeds, Vivian Tracy, Velma Michael and Ellen Nolan.

The Auction Bridge club met Wednesday in the sun parlor of the Hotel Hall annex. Mrs. Geo. I. Wright was hostess. There were three tables of bridge and Miss Margaret Worden won the prize for high score. The members present were: Mesdames L. Gerber, L. F. Willetts, E. B. Hall, H. N. Moe, G. A. Krause, C. I. Roberts, Oscar Shive, R. E. Wright, Elmer Ludden, Geo. I. Wright and the guest, Mrs. A. W. Worden. Miss Margaret Worden and Mrs. H. R. Harrison.

The women's auxiliary of the chamber of commerce met yesterday afternoon in the chamber of commerce rooms. The most interesting announcement was that a very beautiful silver loving-cup is to be given by Mrs. H. N. Moe to the person having the highest score at the flower show, to be held early in July. If the same person wins the cup at the next flower show it will then become that person's permanent possession. In the list of prizes a blue ribbon equals three points, a red ribbon two points, and a white ribbon one point. The rules for the flower show will be made public later.

Mrs. Harry Ackley spoke on the work being done toward perfecting the plans for the children's playground.

Mrs. H. R. Harrison outlined the plan of forming districts in the city in connection with the beautiful yard movement. Prizes for beautiful yards were announced as follows: \$10 for best old lawn; \$10

for best new lawn; \$10 for most immaculate back yard.

Mrs. Mollie Belding spoke on the subject of preparing and cultivating a lawn.

Mrs. Davenport talked on the growing and care of roses.

Mrs. George I. Wright gave a report on the work done in connection with obtaining a better milk supply for this city.

Mayor Wiley talked on the importance of adjusting the insurance and water rates for the city.

Mr. Stevenson gave the plans for "Clean-Up Week," which comes in May.

Mrs. C. W. Eberlein made a report on the work done by the committee which is planting trees on the canal bank. The Canadian poplars which were ordered have arrived, and have been planted along the banks.

The Kedron club will meet Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. A. M. Collier, Third and Pine streets. Miss Vera Houston will be hostess with Mrs. Collier.

Mrs. G. A. Krause entertained the book committee of the Woman's Library club this afternoon at her home at 315 Grant street. Following the discussion of the work in hand tea was served to the members, who were Mesdames Jack

Kimball, H. R. Harrison, A. M. Worden, Mollie Belding, H. E. Momyer, W. A. Wiest and Miss Enola Hawkins.

The Presbyterian Missionary society met in the church parlors on Thursday afternoon. The leaders for the program were Mrs. L. L. Truax and Miss Maude Carleton. The subject discussed was "The Negroes of America." Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. W. S. Slough, Mrs. E. S. Phillips and Mrs. W. C. Ball.

The A. N. W. club was entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Geo. A. Wirtz, 529 Jefferson. The time was enjoyably spent in needlework after which delicious refreshments were served. Those present were: Mesdames J. F. Goeller, Merle West, Chas. Martin, R. H. Dunbar, L. I. Truax, Carey Ramsby, R. E. Wattenburg, K. G. Cummings, Jennie Hurn and the guests, Mrs. L. G. Van Bellen and Mrs. Chas. L. Moore.

Mrs. Frank Ward was hostess at a charming dinner, complimenting Mrs. Golden Lincoln, last Sunday evening at her home, 415 Pine street. The table was beautifully decorated with large red tulips and red candles. Her guests included Miss Mary Stewart, Miss Alice Blackford, Miss Augusta Parker, Mr. and Mr. Ward and the guest of honor, Mrs. Golden Lincoln.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. E. Momyer, 228 Juniper street.

The Tea Cup club met Thursday afternoon in the league rooms of the Methodist church, which were beautifully decorated with flowers. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent in needlework. Tea was served by Mrs. Stuckey, Mrs. Walsh, and Mrs. Copen. Those present were, Mesdames J. M. Guthrie, J. J. Prather, Frank Kemp, H. E. Momyer, Walsh, Guy Satterlee, W. J. Steinmetz, E. C. Stuckey, O. V. Dollarhide, E. C. Copen, John Yaden, E. M. Chilcote, Bert Mustoe, Sadie Hutchins, Will Wood, D. M. Smith, Lawrence Phelps, Robt. Ross, E. J. Boyd, C. R. Leighton, Carrie Maier, J. H. Covert, T. R. Skillington, Virginia Barker, Melissa Hammell, H. E. Peltz, C. H. Barnstable, F. H. Cofer, R. Roberts, S. F. Chaney, Geo. H. Downing, and M. W. Coseboom.

The Legion dance given Wednesday night at Scandinavian Hall was very well attended and all declared

it a very pleasant affair. Both the Fylling-Bean, and Houston-Ellis orchestras were present and alternated playing. The music was very much enjoyed. The committee to whom the success of the dance was due, was composed of C. F. Foster, L. H. Green, R. L. Lake and John Houston.

The Presbyterian church club was entertained Friday night in the church parlors by a committee composed of Dr. Geo. Mallett, Miss Vera Houston and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rice. Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Ella McMillan and Mrs. Roy LaPrairie. Most of the evening was spent in playing an entertaining new game of "Progressive Travel."

The P. E. O. Society held a regular meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. H. D. Lloyd Stewart, 447 Alameda street. Papers were read by Mrs. L. I. Truax, and Mrs. K. G. Cummings. Those present were: Mes-

dames Greesbeck, Fred Fleet, L. L. Truax, C. V. Fisher, A. M. Collier, C. P. Mason, J. I. Beard, J. V. Brewbaker, K. G. Cummings, Bert C. Thomas and Miss Vera Houston.

The Ladies' Elks club met Tuesday afternoon at the temple. Bridge was the feature of the afternoon. The hostesses were Mrs. T. C. Campbell, Mrs. E. D. Lamb, Mrs. R. E. Deweese and Mrs. Byron Hardenbrook. Mrs. E. B. Hall won the prize for high score.

Mrs. Elmer T. Ludden was at home to the Krida club Thursday afternoon at her home at 103 Pine street. After an afternoon of sewing, delightfully novel refreshments were served. Mrs. R. E. Wright poured. Those present were: Mesdames Barge Mason, G. A. Krause, Chas. I. Roberts, Oscar Shive, Arthur Wilson, R. E. Wright, and Bert C. Thomas.

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